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# Media Release

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## **Over \$150,000 in Scholarships Available at Community Foundation**

Rockford, IL – The Community Foundation of Northern Illinois is pleased to announce that scholarships totaling \$150,000 are now available.

Scholarships are available for graduating high school seniors, returning college students, and nontraditional students returning to higher education. The scholarships are available to students in Boone, Ogle, Stephenson, and Winnebago counties. Specific requirements vary depending on scholarship criteria.

Complete information and scholarship applications are available on-line at [www.cfnil.org](http://www.cfnil.org). The deadline for scholarship applications is March 1, 2012.

These scholarships are available as a result of endowed funds that individuals, families and service organizations have established at the Community Foundation.

“Providing financial support to young people who embrace the challenge of higher education is a popular way for people to memorialize or honor loved ones and give back to the community,” said Gloria Lundin, Community Foundation President.

The Community Foundation is the largest provider of scholarship funds in Northern Illinois and has awarded 1,292 scholarships totaling over \$1.33 million.

The Community Foundation of Northern Illinois was established in 1953 to attract, grow and preserve a permanent endowment for the people of Northern Illinois.

For more information about scholarships at the Community Foundation or how to establish a scholarship fund at the Foundation call James Patterson at 815-962-2110 ext. 11.

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